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## ABSTRACT

Microteaching was developed in 1963 at Stanford University and was used initially for the training of secondary school teachers. It is controlled practice of specific teaching behavior; therefore, the role of the supervisor is important. Microteaching has the following advantages: faculty have to get together to agree on common purposes in its use; it becomes feasible to follow trainee performance closely; the program is individualized and not bound by any particular course structure; evidence of suitability for teaching is obtained; it is a useful resource tool; it simplifies the complex teaching process in the trainees' first contact with the tasks involved; it is efficient in terms of staff time, use of real pupils, their classrooms, and training facilities. "Minicourse," an adaptation of microteaching, differs from it in four ways: it is primarily an in-service, not a pre-service, model; it is a self-contained package that can be used wherever videotaping is available; trainees are self-evaluated by a structured critique, not a supervisor; films and tapes of model lessons serve as the basis for evaluation. An extensive bibliography is appended which includes applications of microteaching to subject matter and skills involved. (JK)

## MICROTEACHING : A BRIEF REVIEW

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### Description of Microteaching

Microteaching is real teaching reduced in time, number of students, and range of activities.

It was developed in 1963 at Stanford University, and was used initially for the training of secondary school teachers. Five aims guided the plans for the training of teaching skills:

- (1) a realistic situation
- (2) minimum risks for both teachers and students
- (3) theoretical soundness, for example, numerous and distributed practice sessions, prompt feedback of results, immediate opportunity to make corrections.
- (4) provision of a wide range of experiences, and
- (5) economy in time and resources (Allen & Clark, 1967).

Applicable teaching skills included finishing lessons, responding to silence and non-verbal cues, maintaining participation, asking different kinds of questions, using good examples, and using visual aids (Allen & Ryan, 1969). It has also been applied to in-service training, counseling skills, and research in education.

A typical microteaching sequence might be as follows.

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A specific teaching skill such as asking questions that go beyond facts and stated content is identified. The teacher creates a short lesson of about five to twenty minutes in his area of specialization, with a very specific purpose, and teaches it to about five pupils, either real students or his fellow trainees. For example, if he is a history teacher, his microlesson might be about alternative causes of certain events. He could ask questions about hypothetical implications of each.

His lesson would be observed by the instructor, who might also make a videotape recording, keeping a careful note of his use of higher-order questioning. The trainee and instructor immediately get together and review the lesson, viewing the videotape, if one was made. A chance to reteach the lesson, followed by another meeting, is usually suggested, and, with the student's very first microlesson, the feedback should focus on his strong points.

#### Questions and Decisions in Using Microteaching

There is considerable freedom in how the microteaching format can be adapted to individual circumstances, and it is not expected that all teaching procedures can be taught this way.

The first question is, which skill should be emphasized? If the trainee is a new teacher who has never taught, any of the basic skills, such as eliciting the participation

of pupils, could be stressed. With experienced teachers the skills are more likely to have been chosen by the participants in some way, and to have a "refresher course" image or be directed to very specific skills, such as interpreting nonverbal pupil behavior. This is quite difficult for someone who has no teaching experience.

How long should the microlesson be? Allen and Ryan (1969) found no differences between four- and seven-minute lessons. They suggest resisting the desire for longer lessons. This is a "teacher-centred," not a "pupil-centred," technique: the teacher's behavior is of interest. Four minutes are enough for the instructor and the trainee to achieve their goals. Of course whether the students learned what they were supposed to is a crucial test of the effectiveness of the teaching. Microteaching is a way to train specific teaching skills; there is always more to good teaching than these skills themselves, but the microlesson is not enough of a complete lesson to make such broad judgments. This has to wait until the trainee has a real class to teach. The aim is to teach the trainee skills which will transfer to real situations when he meets them.

An ethical problem is introduced in getting pupils to "practice on," since their learning is not the foremost purpose during the actual microlesson. There are answers to this challenge. First, the larger goal of microteaching is to better train teachers, with lasting effects in real

teaching. Second, pupils used are often paid volunteers, quite different from the captive audiences presented to the neophyte trainee during a more usual first teaching internship. Microteaching was intended to precede and supplement such internships, not to replace them. All persons serving as students, real pupils, paid volunteers, psychology students or fellow trainees, are informed of their training role. Third, microteaching is done in the presence of a supervisor, with the exception of trainees working only with each other.

Do the effects of microteaching carry through to the classroom? Apparently so, if the pupils with whom the microteaching is done are similar to those with whom the trainee will actually work (Johnson, 1971). Different pupils or the trainees' colleagues would be second choices when there are shortages of either time, money, or representative students. Recent work has also shown no differences between microteaching and two other training frameworks, a programmed videotape and lecture-discussion using still pictures from the videotape, in nonverbal teacher skills designed to encourage classroom interaction (e.g., eye contacts, nodding, moving toward pupils) (Pancrazio & Johnson, 1971). These techniques did share the important feature of very limited purposes, very clearly defined. The proponents of microteaching would be quite satisfied with these results, as microteaching has added to the repertoire of procedures for training. The importance

of the supervision cannot be overstressed. Microteaching is controlled practice of very specific teaching behavior. The choice of material and method would not be without reference to the supervisor or instructor.

All the reports of the use of microteaching stress the first feedback and discussion following the microlesson. The second microlesson might not always be necessary, and the videotaping is not a crucial part of the process. Videotape does provide an explicit record of a lesson, allows the collection of examples (with permission of the people filmed), and is particularly useful if students work on their own and the instructor views the videotapes at a more convenient time.

#### Advantages of Microteaching

Allen and Ryan (1969) saw five main advantages, especially if microteaching is a routine part of the training of teachers. First, faculty have to get together to agree on common purposes in its use. Second, it becomes feasible to closely follow trainee performance. Third, the program is individualized and not bound by any particular "course" structure. Fourth, evidence of suitability for teaching is obtained. Fifth, it is a useful research tool.

Craig (1969) added two others. First, it simplifies the complex teaching process in the trainees' first contact with the tasks involved. Teaching is viewed as including

specific skills which can be learned individually, rather than relying on a less useful global point of view (Gage, 1968). This does not imply that complete fragmentation is possible, merely that some is desirable. One result is that with microteaching students are able to actually study teaching in simplified situations. It is an opportunity to learn to teach and also to learn about teaching (Johnson, 1967).

Craig's second point is that microteaching is very efficient in terms of staff time, use of real pupils, their classrooms, and training facilities. Kallenbach and Gall (1969) have reported that microteaching can achieve results comparable to those attained by conventional methods in as little as one-fifth the time and with fewer administrative problems. Finally, most reports mention that trainees' apprehension concerning their first classroom experience is greatly lessened.

Microteaching also has other applications in higher education. Some of these are summarized by Shore (1972).

#### Criticisms of Microteaching

W.R. Borg (Far West Laboratory for Educational Research and Development, Berkeley) and his associates (1968, 1969, 1970) have produced an alternative, really an adaptation called Minicourse. As it has developed, the Minicourse differs from microteaching in four principal ways: (1) it is primarily an in-service, not pre-service, model;

(2) it is a self-contained package that can be used wherever videotaping is available; (3) trainees are self-evaluated by a structured critique, not by a supervisor, and (4) films or tapes of model lessons serve as the basis for evaluation, avoiding possible negative influences of supervisors.

There is some doubt about the seriousness of the criticisms implied in their changes. Some of their experimental results were that adding microteaching to minicourses and videotaping did not lead to better performance on specified behaviors, that the addition of the minicourse itself did improve performance, and that minicourse effects were more pronounced with practising teachers. There is apparently no basis in their studies for direct comparisons.

Comparisons should be based on convenience of use and availability of supervisory resources. There is much in common in the definition of specific components of teacher performance and teaching toward these goals. Borg is correct that microteaching is not self-contained and that it relies heavily on supervisory feedback. There are surely times when these are not disadvantages, for example, in some voluntary in-service training, and undisputedly, in pre-service training.

Gilliom (1969) cautioned that users of microteaching might get the impression that the micro situation is the same as the real classroom. However realistic, it is not the



same. Emphasis has to be explicitly on the teaching skills acquired, not on the conditions under which they were learned. Student teaching itself is the introduction to the real classroom.

It is also possible to criticize that skills might be taught which perpetuate obsolete practices of instruction and classroom organization. Like any versatile technique, microteaching can be used to achieve undesirable goals. The individuals involved continue to have the responsibility for concentrating on relevant teacher behavior.

In a similar vein, it is important to avoid concentrating too much on skills whose contribution to student learning is not wide, such as lecturing.

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Microteaching was developed in 1963 and first appeared in Education Index as a separate topic in the 1967-1968 edition. It has led to the development of other techniques, such as Minicourse and microcounselling. These derivatives are not given extensive coverage in this bibliography. Special attention is paid to references not included in Allen and Ryan's (1969) text. The primary aims in the organization of this bibliography were to focus on validation research on microteaching and to survey a wide variety of applications and reviews. It is hoped that this will allow for a more useful document, one that can particularly serve as a beginning point for working with microteaching.

The Centre for Learning and Development library contains a reprint or copy of many of the items in this bibliography especially papers presented at conferences. Items from journals not received by other McGill libraries (particularly Education, McLennan, and Macdonald College), and items regarded as particularly important. Items in the CLD library are so marked.

This bibliography is divided into the following sections:

- A- Basic Reading on Microteaching
- B- Reports of Research and Rationale
- C- General Reviews and Descriptions
- D- Reports of Applications
  - 1- According to Subject Matter
  - 2- According to Skills Involved
  - 3- According to Institution
- E- Other Items with Reference to Microteaching
- F- Films, Other Bibliographies.

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### A: BASIC READING ON MICROTEACHING

These four articles and one book are judged to provide a good basic knowledge of microteaching. The list has been kept intentionally short, resulting in several other good items appearing only in other parts of this bibliography. These other items are appropriately annotated.

Allen, Dwight W. (U. Mass., Boston) & Ryan, Kevin (U. Chicago). Microteaching. Don Mills, Ontario/Reading, Mass.: Addison-Wesley, 1969.

This is the most important reference on microteaching. It reports the background of the microteaching project, details of its implementation, research, and applications. Included is a good bibliography of 38 previous references. (In CLD library).

Borg, W.R. (Far West Lab. for Educational R. and D., Berkeley), Kallenbach, W., Morris, M., & Friebel, Allen. Videotape feedback and microteaching in a teacher training model. The Journal of Experimental Education, 1969, 37, 9-16.

Important criticism of microteaching. First report on alternative Minicourse (now commercially available from MacMillan Educational Services). Concentrates on pre-service versus in-service, self-containment, self-evaluation versus supervisory feedback, and standardized filmed models of good performance. Shares stating of limited objectives for teacher performance and evaluation with microteaching. (In CLD library).

Cooper, J.M. (Stanford U., Palo Alto). Developing specific teaching skills through microteaching. The High School Journal, 1967, 51, 80-85.

States main considerations: (1) developing specific teaching skills (reinforcement techniques, change of pace, 3 presentation skills, examples, eliciting student questions), (2) training paradigms, (3) teach-reteach concept, (4) videotape, and (5) evaluative instruments. Stresses interrelations of these stages in skill development. Good, relevant article. (In CLD library).

Gage, N.L. (Stanford). Analytical Approach to research on instructional methods. The Journal of Experimental Education, 1969, 37, 119-125. Also in Phi Delta Kappan, 1968, 49, 601-6.

Proposes that microteaching is superior to a global approach to research in teaching methods in producing reliable and useful results. "Required reading" is a good way to describe this article. (In CLD library).

Johnson, W.D. (U. of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign). Microteaching: A medium in which to study teaching. The High School Journal, 1967, 51, 86-92.

Emphasizes pupil-learning for evaluation purposes. While not a research paper, this is very much about research concerning teaching and learning, rather than teacher preparation itself. (In CLD library).

B: REPORTS OF RESEARCH AND RATIONALE

Allen and Ryan (1969). See Part A of this bibliography.

Allen, Dwight W. (U. Mass., Boston), & Clark, R.J., Jr. (Stanford, Palo Alto). Microteaching: Its rationale. The High School Journal, 1967, 51, 75-79.

An important article stressing the criteria sought in designing the microteaching model (realism, low risk, theoretical soundness, wide applicability, economy), possible applications, the importance of videotape recording, and its place in teacher education.

Allen, Dwight W. (U. Mass., Boston) & Gross, R.E. (Stanford U., Palo Alto). Microteaching. NEA Journal, 1965, 54 (9), 25-26.

A good general summary. Data presented supporting claim that teacher trainees highly regard the microteaching in their preservice education.

Austad, Charles A., & Emmer, Edmund T. Personality correlates of teacher performance in a micro-teaching laboratory. Austin: U. of Texas, Research and Development Centre for Teacher Education, 1970. (reported in ERIC News Plus, 1971, 7 (3), 1).

Apparently found no relationships. Suggests other predictors of teacher performance should be sought.

Bell, C.G. (Texas Tech. Univ.) Can the art of teaching be structured? Journal of Home Economics, 1970, 62, 34-39.

Includes good examples of the parts of a microlesson, especially "framing a reference." Found possible differences between microteaching and control groups to be overshadowed by motivation to participate in the experiment.

Blankenburg, R.M., & Thompson, A.G. (Marquette U. Milwaukee). Microteaching. Momentum, 1971, 2, 34-37.

Includes a study in which microteaching was used to give teacher trainees more confidence in their ability to teach and some indication of the importance of this part of their training. Interesting summary of possible research directions with microteaching. (In CLD library).

Borg et al. (1969). See Part A of this bibliography.

Cooper (1967). See Part A of this bibliography.

Davis, A.R. (U. Tennessee, Knoxville). Microteaching in a small liberal arts college. Audiovisual Instruction, 1971, 16 (3), 80-82.

Focuses on costs and means of implementation. Some skepticism can be expressed about the conclusion that microteaching was effective as employed; a 0.10 significance level was used with a sample size of 36. The general description is useful, reasonably detailed, and concise. Emphasis is placed on the inclusion of videotape recording. (In CLD library).

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Gage (1968). See Part A of this bibliography.

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Johnson, W.D., & Pancrazio, S.B. (U. of Illinois). The effectiveness of three microteaching environments in preparing undergraduates for student teaching. Paper presented at American Educational Research Association Annual Meeting New York, New York, February 1971.

Compared the use of peers, real pupils, and freshman. Microteaching seems to work best itself with peers, but best transfer is with real pupils. (In CLD library).

Kallenbach, W.W. (Far West Lab. for Educational Research and Development, Berkeley), & Gall, M.D. Microteaching versus conventional methods in training elementary intern teachers. The Journal of Educational Research, 1969, 63, 136-141.

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Waimon, M.D. (Illinois State U., Norman), & Ramseyer, G.C. The effects of feedback on the ability to evaluate teaching. The Journal of Teacher Education, 1970, 21, 92-95.

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Craig, D.G. (U. of Tennessee). Microteaching - to improve teacher education. The Agricultural Education Magazine, 1969, 41, 170 and 173.

A good short summary. Includes time study of microteaching activities, and raises the question of transfer of training to real teaching. (In CLD library).

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Shore, B. M. (McGill U., Montreal) Microteaching: A brief review. Centre for Learning and Development Monograph, 1972, available for the Centre for Learning and Development, McGill University.

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Results of 1968-69 survey of the uses of microteaching in U.S. teacher education. Views microclasses of more than 8 pupils really as demonstration teaching. Includes references to use outside U.S.A. (In CLD library).

- ... Success with microteaching. School and Society, 1970, 98, 200.

April 1970 report of adoption of microteaching by more than half of teacher education programs in U.S.A.

- ... Teaching teachers; minicourses and microteaching. The National Elementary Principal, 1969, 48 (4), 30-31.

A brief survey of uses, including Peace Corps and Head Start. Claims good teachers are taught, not born.



D1: REPORTS OF APPLICATIONS ACCORDING TO SUBJECT MATTER

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Kuhn, W. (Stanford U.), & McQuerrey, L.H. (U. of the Pacific, Stockton, California). Holding a monitor up to life: Microteaching, microrehearsal. Music Educators Journal, 1968, 55(4), 48-53

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Olson, J.H. (U. of Minnesota, Minneapolis). Preservice reading instruction: A program of involvement. The Reading Teacher, 1969, 22, 691-695.

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Politzer, R. (Stanford U.) Microteaching: A new approach to teacher training and research. Hispania, 1969, 52, 244-248.

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Schomberg, C.E. (University of Houston, Texas). Models for social studies inservice programs. Social Education, 1968, 32, 704-706.

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Sedgewick, L.K., & Misfeldt, H.T. (both at American Industry Project, Stout State University, Menomonie, Wisconsin). Microteaching: New tool for a new program. Industrial Arts and Vocational Education/Technical Education, 1967, 56 (6), 34-35.

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